

COMMENT OF  
THE DAY

NATO's Role

NORTH Atlantic Treaty ministers have good reason to feel satisfied with their accomplishments at the three-day meeting which has just ended in Paris. On the whole the aims set out in their communique are modest—they are simply guiding principles for a smaller committee to translate into a feasible Western policy better suited to the change in the international climate. But the Western foreign ministers (all 16 of them) deserve credit for two reasons: they have agreed unanimously to make use of a hitherto dormant provision of the NATO constitution which is obviously pertinent to the present situation—and they have moved quickly.

One wonders how the three Western foreign ministers appointed to the task of reshaping the Alliance merit the description of "wise men" at this stage of proceedings even though it would seem hard for them to go wrong. But if they are to avoid posterity's criticism (Mr. Lester Pearson of Canada suggests "the three blind mice") they should be careful to understand the limits of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation as an international philanthropic institution.

THE idea of a united West once again on the offensive, reinforcing the various aid schemes that have been implemented in the past is appealing—but it would be helpful and wise to look at NATO from, say, the viewpoint of Mr. Nehru, or Colonel Nasser. What NATO as well as other regional defence organisations can accomplish—and this the foreign ministers properly stress—is better co-operation in the economic field between member nations. Outside of the areas of the three pacts, aid could best be distributed by an organisation whose sheep's clothing is not suspected. The United Nations suggests itself as one medium if no new body is to be created.

As for strengthening the internal administration of NATO, there is room for improvement here, too. A suggestion is made that the Atlantic Council should have the powers of a "cabinet" and that the ambassadorial status of the delegates should be raised to that of senior minister. Ideal as this seems, it presupposes a far higher level of Western integration than exists at present. If no country is prepared to sacrifice sovereignty it means that the "cabinet" would have to refer back specific proposals to their governments for consideration. Immediately it ceases to be a "cabinet".

OBVIOUSLY NATO will only change gradually. More regular meetings of the foreign ministers would possibly help to give it and its decisions added importance. Certainly more meetings are needed during the next few months to sanction the various steps of the proposed reformation. Wisely the defensive structure is to be maintained at the same time and the ministers agree that until disarmament and the reunification of Germany are achieved it would be wrong even to begin the process of dismantling the military organisation.

It appears that many Western ministers have come around to Mr. Dulles' way of thinking that Western policies in the postwar years were mainly responsible for the recent shift in emphasis in Soviet policy—from armed threat to peaceful penetration. Now, while still stressing the need for defence, the West realises the need to match the new stratagem and its responsive attitude indicates that any further steps Russia will be met by corresponding alterations in Western policy.

# NATO CABINET PROPOSAL

## Eisenhower's Idea For Co-ordination

Paris, May 6.

President Eisenhower has proposed that the NATO allies form a full-time Atlantic alliance Cabinet in an historic step to co-ordinate Western policy on key international issues, authoritative sources said today.

The idea was suggested to the 15-nation North Atlantic Treaty Council meeting here by the US Secretary of State, Mr. John Foster Dulles, the sources said. But it was still uncertain whether the NATO allies would agree to the plan.

The international Cabinet idea was disclosed after the United States, Britain and France agreed in a Big Three meeting here today that the Israeli-Arab conflict must be settled within the United Nations Security Council.

But the Western Big Three Foreign Ministers reached no agreement on a Middle East arms embargo. They also sidestepped any joint decision on whether France should send a new shipment of 12 Mystere fighters to Israel.

## Full-Time Body

Mr. Dulles took off for home at 6.10 p.m. after what he called the "most important" NATO meeting he had ever attended. He said at the airport that he was satisfied with the conference, which wound up last night with the naming of a three-man council of "wise men" to draft a streamlined new Western policy to meet changing Soviet tactics.

Authoritative sources disclosed today that Mr. Eisenhower and Mr. Dulles wanted a full-time body in the NATO alliance that would co-ordinate Allied policy on vital problems and determine the future of the Western world.

The co-ordinating body would amount to a virtual Cabinet, the sources said. It would be a high-level organisation whose representatives would rank next to Foreign Ministers. It would not involve any abandonment of US sovereignty, the sources explained, and it would provide a test of whether the West can overcome its historic divisions.

## 3 Basic Questions

The present NATO Council could be expanded or made into an entirely new Council, the sources said. But the present NATO Permanent Council is far from what the United States advocates, they said. It has never even considered the three basic issues threatening the alliance—North Africa, the future of Cyprus and the Middle East.

In fact, the sources said, the present permanent Council of ambassadors is also exclusively military and the meetings of the Foreign Ministers are too short and too far between to co-ordinate Atlantic policy.

Mr. Dulles, the British Foreign Secretary, Mr. Selwyn Lloyd, and the French Foreign Minister, M. Christian Pineau, met for an hour and a half this morning at the French Foreign Ministry.

A brief communique issued afterwards said merely that the Ministers exchanged views "on the questions of common interest, on disarmament, the Middle East and the Far East." But informants said the Big Three leaders' only decision was to turn the whole Middle East question over to the Security Council. Russia has a veto in that UN body.

## Referred Back

"The question of an arms embargo cannot be settled by the three powers alone," said M. Pineau after the meeting. "If the Security Council decided to promote such a measure, France would support and respect it."

The Western leaders referred the question of arms supplies to the permanent Big Three meeting in Washington. The Committee is charged with maintaining a balance in arms shipments. France has 12 more Mystere IV jet fighters awaiting shipment to Israel, but neither the United States nor Britain to share responsibility for the decision to ship them.

The three powers are determined to seek an agreed and common policy toward the

## New Wonder Plane

New York, May 6.

The Navy tonight released for the first time some details of a new jet fighter which can fly non-stop across the United States in under four hours, photographing a continuous ten-mile-wide strip of country as it goes.

The swept-wing aircraft is a new version of the Grumman XF-8 Cougar. The Navy declined to disclose its speed.

But in 1951 an earlier Cougar averaged 645 miles an hour while establishing a non-stop cross-country speed record of three hours, 45 minutes, 30 seconds, the Navy said.

The new model is already in operation with the Fleet—Reuter.

## ONE KILLED, FIVE WOUNDED

## SNIPER FIRES INTO CHURCH PROCESSION

New York, May 6.

The sister of the late King Carol of Rumania and daughter of the late Queen Marie narrowly missed being hit by an assassin's bullets early today when a gunman fired on a midnight Orthodox Easter candlelight procession, killing one worshipper and wounding five.

Police said the sniper, angered over portraits of former Rumanian Royalty in a Church art exhibit, had been variously described by Church members as anti-Royalist, pro-Communist, pro-Nazi and a general trouble-maker.

He fired four bullets from a small rented room down on the congregation as it filed in a government procession from the church basement to the altar.

A citywide search was launched immediately for the gunman and police ordered a special check of every ship in ports along the Eastern seaboard to make sure he did not try to flee the country aboard a vessel bound for an Iran-Curtain country.

NOT A PLOT  
The chief of detectives, James Leggett, discounted rumours of a Communist plot against the life of Princess Ileana, 47-year-old widow of former King Michael of Rumania, daughter of the late Queen Marie and former wife of a member of Austria's Royal family.

Ileana, now wife of a Rumanian-born New York doctor, was walking behind the pastor of the Rumanian Orthodox Church of St. Dumitru, which occupies an old brownstone house on West 89th Street. They were part of a procession of more than 300 persons. Police said they had taken only a few more steps, they would have been directly in the gunman's line of fire.

One man was killed outright by the sniper, who used a heavy duty rifle to fire from about 150 feet. Another person was wounded seriously, also by a direct hit. Four others were injured either by flying chips of brownstone cut loose by bullets or by ricocheting bullets.

Conditions in Morocco and Tunisia, both former French protectorates to which France has granted effective independence, are causing considerable concern in Paris.

Right-wing commentators consider the slaughter in Marrakesh of former followers of El Glaoui, Pasha of Marrakesh, firm friend of France until his death last January, bodes ill for the independence of France and Morocco.

In Tunisia, Prime Minister Habib Bourguiba, has said negotiations on inter-dependence will not begin until France formally recognizes Tunisia's complete independence. — China Mail Special.

## All-Out Effort To Kill Rebellion

Paris, May 6.

The French Government is expected to devote itself almost entirely this week to its all-out effort to wipe out the Algerian rebellion.

The French Army's new tactics in Algeria have begun to yield some spectacular successes. Stress is now placed on small, highly-mobile groups with tremendous fire-power who can get at rebel attackers before they can slip away into their mountain hide-outs.

Whenever a rebel band had been pinned down in this way, it has almost always been completely wiped out.

But M. Robert Lacoste, minister of Algeria, is expected to press his demands for still more reinforcements for Algeria when he flies to Paris on Wednesday for discussions.

The Government decided on April 11 to make all men who had completed national service in the past three years liable for immediate recall.

In Paris, an overwhelming majority of deputies back the Government's policy of all-out force against the rebels though many of the left, including some of Premier Guy Mollet's own Socialist Party, still hope that "local contacts" which the Government has authorised may lead to a rapid ceasefire.

Outside Parliament, Communists are organising popular feeling against the Government's Algeria policy have yielded only meagre results.

## Tito's Moscow Quest

Washington, May 6.

Yugoslavia's Marshal Tito probably will urge Soviet leaders to grant more freedom to Russia's satellites during his state visit to Moscow next month, diplomatic officials said today.

They don't expect him to win any startling concessions in iron-fisted Kremlin policy. But Tito's mere presence in Moscow, they said, could persuade some of the satellites to think seriously about following Tito's independent course.

Secretary of State John Foster Dulles recently said there is evidence the Soviet hold

on the puppet states "is getting somewhat weaker." He said this is because some are beginning to wonder whether Tito "is getting the best of both (free and Communist) worlds."

Tito, the only Communist boss to defy Moscow successfully, has been carefully wooed by both the United States and Russia in recent months. Yugoslavia announced just last week that Tito will visit Moscow in June, repaying a similar visit to Belgrade last spring by Soviet Premier Nikolai Bulganin and Russian Communist Party boss Nikita Khrushchev. — United Press.

## Battleship Wisconsin In Collision



United Press reports the battleship USS Wisconsin smashed into the USS Texas in the Chesapeake Bay yesterday afternoon after the latter had returned from a mission in the Caribbean. The collision occurred at 4:15 p.m. in a heavy fog. The Texas was bound for Cape Henry, Virginia. Casualties reported immediately. Commander Philip H. Shelton, 41, was killed. The Texas was damaged. The Wisconsin was damaged. The Texas was bound for Cape Henry, Virginia. Casualties reported immediately. Commander Philip H. Shelton, 41, was killed. The Texas was damaged. The Wisconsin was damaged.

## Elderly Spinsters Brutally Murdered

London, May 6.  
Two elderly spinsters were found murdered in their tiny tobacconist and confectioners shop today in Ormskirt in Lancashire. The crime was discovered when a neighbour, taking a morning cup of tea to Margaret and Mary Ormesher, found the shop door firmly shut and received no response to her calls.

The police broke down the door and found the two old ladies lying dead in pools of blood.

The position of their bodies, their severe head wounds and damage to the walls and ceiling of the room indicated a long and desperate struggle with the unknown assailant or assailants. The sisters' spaniel dog was found alive in the murder room.

A neighbour later reported hearing noises during the night coming from the direction of the shop, but had put them down to a wandering drunk. — France-Press.

## FOREIGN AID BILL FIGHT BEGINS

Washington, May 7.

The Senate Foreign Relations Committee today begins consideration of President Eisenhower's \$4,900 million foreign aid programme.

Cuts in the aid bill are considered inevitable, especially as this is election year. But Mr. John Foster Dulles, the Secretary of State, had already told the committee slashing cuts "would make a shambles of our foreign policy."

The bill, covering the year beginning July 1, incorporates proposals for long-term economic aid to combat the Soviet economic drive in underdeveloped countries.

But this innovation has run into opposition from Senator Waver George, Democratic chairman of the foreign relations committee.

Neither President Eisenhower nor Mr. Dulles have been able to persuade the 78-year-old Senator to drop his opposition to long-term aid. He is standing for re-election this year. The first witness before the committee today will be Mr. John Hollister, head of the International Co-operation Administration. — Reuter.

## Paper Forecasts Breakdown In S'pore Talks

London, May 7.

The News Chronicle today claimed that it now seems probable that the London talks on Singapore's future will break down.

"If this happens, riots and bloodshed in the island are likely to follow," this Liberal newspaper predicted.

"But were Britain to yield all that Mr. David Marshall, Singapore's Chief Minister, requires, the results might be even more disastrous."

"Mr. Marshall, who is violently and sincerely anti-Communist, must realise that the granting of absolute self-government in existing circumstances would be a dubious gamble. Britain has too much at stake in Singapore to take that risk." — Reuter.

## Fake "Mo's" And Beards The Rage

London, May 6.

British men are taking to wearing "faux" fake moustaches and beards to impress girlfriends and business associates, it is reported today.

A London firm of wig makers is said by a Sunday newspaper to be doing a roaring trade "with customers ranging from engineers to earls."

The "faux" range from false moustaches, costing 21 shillings each and upwards, to full fiery beards, costing from £5.5s each.

The director of the firm, Mr. Gerry Rex, is quoted as saying that he was asked last week by a couple of men for beards like those of Marshal Nikita Bulganin, the Soviet Prime Minister. — China Mail Special.

## ISRAELI POLICE CAR FIRED ON

Tel-Aviv, May 6.

An Israeli police car was fired on near Kfar Saba, 13 miles from Tel-Aviv, and near the Jordan border this evening, an Israeli spokesman announced here.

No casualties were reported. — France-Press.

## Labourites Parade

London, May 6.

Nearly 10,000 members of the British Labour Party paraded through London today behind banners calling for freedom for Cyprus. Other slogans carried by the procession, organised to celebrate the first Sunday after May 1, Labour Day, called for a clean sweep as the last hope for England.

Several speakers addressed the massed crowds when the parade gathered at Trafalgar Square, severely criticising the government over questions such as unemployment, "automation"—the mechanisation of industry—increased tobacco prices and monopolies. — France-Press.

## TRAIN CRASH IN ALGERIA

Algiers, May 6.

Two people were injured, one of them seriously, in a train crash between Modjahed and Turenne this evening.

Sabotage was suspected. A serious accident was averted because the couplings between the locomotive and carriages broke when the locomotive leaped from the track.

The train was on the run from Oran in Algeria to Oudja in Morocco. — France-Press.

## Ferryboat Tragedy

Manila, May 7.

Six persons were drowned and several others still missing when a overloaded ferryboat with 60 passengers capsized and sank in the Cagayan River, Isabela Province, northern Luzon yesterday.

A strong current prevented rescue work and it is feared that those still missing may have been swept out to sea. The ferryboat normally carried only 30 people. — France-Press.



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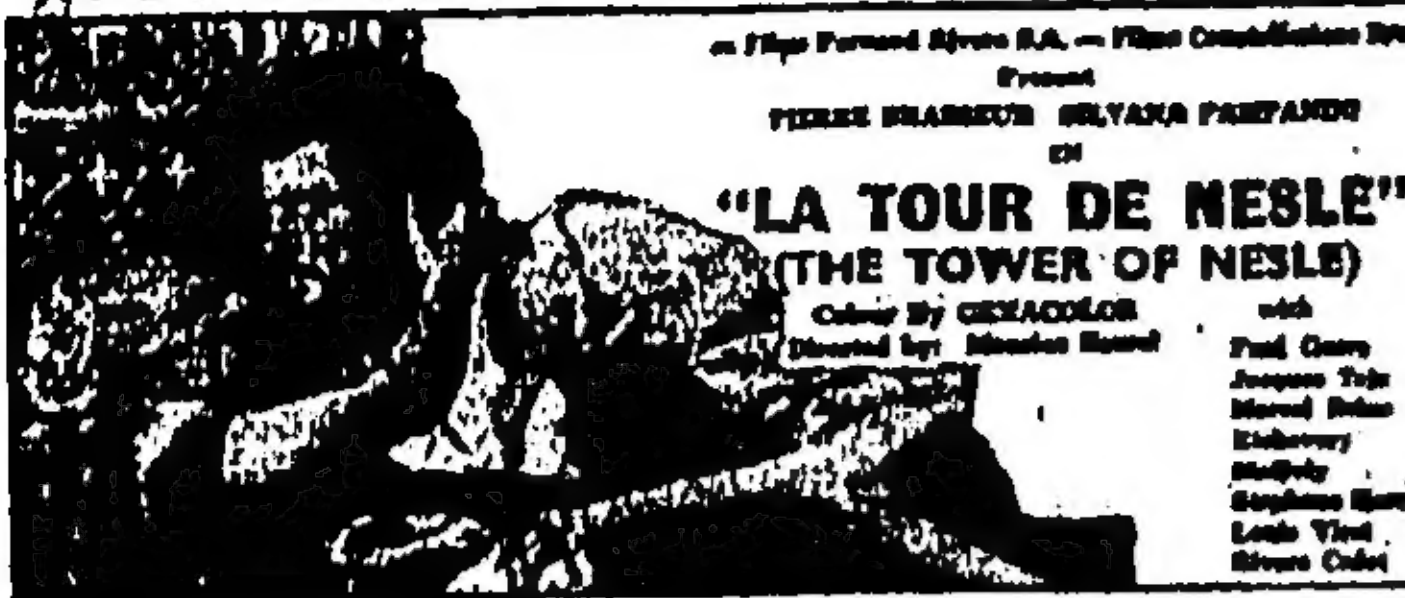
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# CONSTITUTIONAL REFORM

## Queen Mother Honoured



The Queen Mother takes down her umbrella before entering her car on a rainy day at Forfar, Scotland, where she had received the freedom of the town. With her is the Provost of Forfar.—Central Press Photo.

## Mixed Welcome For Churchill

Aachen, May 6.  
Cigars and a few uncomplimentary slogans are waiting for Sir Winston Churchill who arrives in this historic city on Wednesday to receive the Charlemagne prize for great Europeans.

A big box of cigars has been laid on by the city authorities who will fetter the former British Prime Minister in the ancient town hall.

Slogans reading "Churchill not wanted here" were painted on walls by a few diehard members of organisations of people expelled from Germany's West European territories.

City authorities have sent workmen to take out the "not" from each slogan.

Most Germans think of Sir Winston Churchill as the grand old man of British and world politics rather than the relentless opponent in World War II. But the expelled Germans have not forgotten that he was a partner to the Yalta agreement which awarded slices of Eastern Germany to Poland and Russia.

The Charlemagne prize, endowed by a group of Aachen citizens in 1931, is awarded by a 12-member board for the "most outstanding services in the cause of understanding and international co-operation in the European area."

1,000 Guests

Sir Winston Churchill will arrive here on Wednesday evening. He will receive the golden plaque and a cash award of 3,000 marks (about £425) at the town hall on Thursday morning.

Dr Konrad Adenauer, the West German Chancellor and a previous winner of the award, heads the list of 1,000 distinguished guests who will fill the great hall for the ceremony.—China Mail Special.

## Bitter Feelings

The committee of the Federation of expelled Germans said in a statement last month that its members welcomed the fact that a statesman of such great service should receive the Charlemagne prize. But that "bitter feelings" were mingled with this because he had agreed "to the expulsions of millions of people."

The Federation has about 1,000,000 members. A smaller group of 21,000 expelled Germans went much further in saying that Sir Winston Churchill was "not fit" to receive the award.



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# IS FRANCE'S HEADACHE Mollet Warns Both Chambers

Arras, May 6.  
Premier Guy Mollet warned the French Parliament today he would "act" if the two Chambers failed to get to work on a thorough constitutional reform.

Meeting in his northern French home town of Arras he said that despite the Algerian crisis, he believed constitutional reform was France's No. 1 problem.

"I wish today to alert Parliament and the country about the gravity of the (constitutional reform) problem, and the need of urgent action."

M. Mollet's declaration was taken as indicating the Premier would not hesitate staking the life of his left-centre Cabinet on the constitutional reform issue.

M. Mollet thus becomes the latest responsible leader to admit that "the authority of the state is being nibbled away for the benefit of coalition of private interests threatening the very unit of the nation."

## De Gaulle Comeback?

Widespread reports said some influential political circles were considering the possibility of a political comeback by Gen. Charles de Gaulle.

The World War II free French leader, reporting to have said he would govern France only if a new constitution was adopted.

M. Mollet's Socialist Party always had accused de Gaulle of dictatorial leanings.

"I am sending this pressing appeal to all Republicans," M. Mollet said today, "to overcome their personal preferences and to agree on a small number of simple proposals which they would pledge to push through quickly."

M. Mollet said the aim of his constitutional reform plan was to assure Cabinet stability while maintaining the prerogatives of the legislative branch.

He focused the spotlights on the constitutional reform after last week's National Assembly debate showed that the survival of the M. Mollet Cabinet often depended on Communist support.

## Anti-Communist

M. Mollet sailed through four confidence votes last week, all on his relief fund for the aged. He would have been defeated on one of them had he been supported by the 145 Communist deputies.

Observers believed the 51-year-old Socialist leader—who is a determined anti-Communist—will be safe from Communist or rightist attacks until he returns from his May 14-17 visit in Moscow.—United Press.

## Harriman Attacks Eisenhower



AYERELL HARRIMAN

Milwaukee, May 6.  
Mr. Averell Harriman, Governor of New York State, today accused President Eisenhower's Administration of "not telling the people the truth about international affairs."

"What we need in this country is the kind of leadership that says to the people 'here is the problem—not the kind of leadership that plays politics with our national security,'" he said.

Mr. Harriman, who again described himself as "not an active candidate for the Democratic nomination for President," also attacked President Eisenhower for becoming "a captive of big business."—Reuter.

## Helicopter Inventor Buried

Paris, May 6.  
The inventor of the helicopter, French professor of sciences, M. Etienne Lehnach, was buried today on the battlefield at Courcelles, Les Montbellard, where 32 years ago, he flew the world's first helicopter.

M. Lehnach, who died a year ago, had expressed the wish that his body should be laid on the field, where on January 4, 1924 he flew 120 metres in a closed circuit and 525 metres in straight flight.

His body was earlier carried by helicopter from another airfield in the region.—France-Press.

Security forces were called in to guard the forest as firemen fought the blaze, which took several hours to master.

Less than 50 African workers from a nearby residential camp were arrested on suspicion of responsibility for starting the fire and firing upon the fire-fighters.

The Forbach area, a heavily industrial centre, is heavily populated with North African labour.—France-Press.

## FIREMEN FIRED ON IN FOREST

Metz, May 6.  
Firemen called to a forest outbreak at Forbach near Metz today withdrew hurriedly when rifle shots were rained upon them from the outskirts of the forest. Large numbers of North African workers live in this area.

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# Poland Freeing More Than Other Red Nations

## Valuable Documents Unearthed

London, May 6. Soviet archaeologists have unearthed valuable manuscripts including some Latin documents over 500 years old from the ruins of a building being demolished at Vilnius, Latvia, Moscow radio said last night.

The Moscow broadcast, monitored here, said that when carrying out repairs to an ancient building in Vilnius, workmen found in one of the walls a niche containing a bundle of manuscripts covered with the dust of several centuries, together with some large books.

The manuscripts, and books, totalling one and a half truck loads, were taken to the Academy of Sciences of the Lithuanian Soviet Republic where it was established that they were valuable historical archives, including some 400 Latin parchments, about 500 years old.

OTHER DOCUMENTS

There are also a number of other documents of great interest for the study of social and economic relations in the 14-15th centuries, the broadcast added.

It said the papers also included several historic documents of which only one copy had hitherto been known to exist.

The oldest document, dated 1387, is a parchment belonging to the Grand Duke of Lithuania, Jagailo; five parchments, one of which is written in Russian, are documents issued by Prince Witold.

Members of the Soviet Academy of Sciences have started study of the documents, the broadcast concluded. — United Press.

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Says Prof.

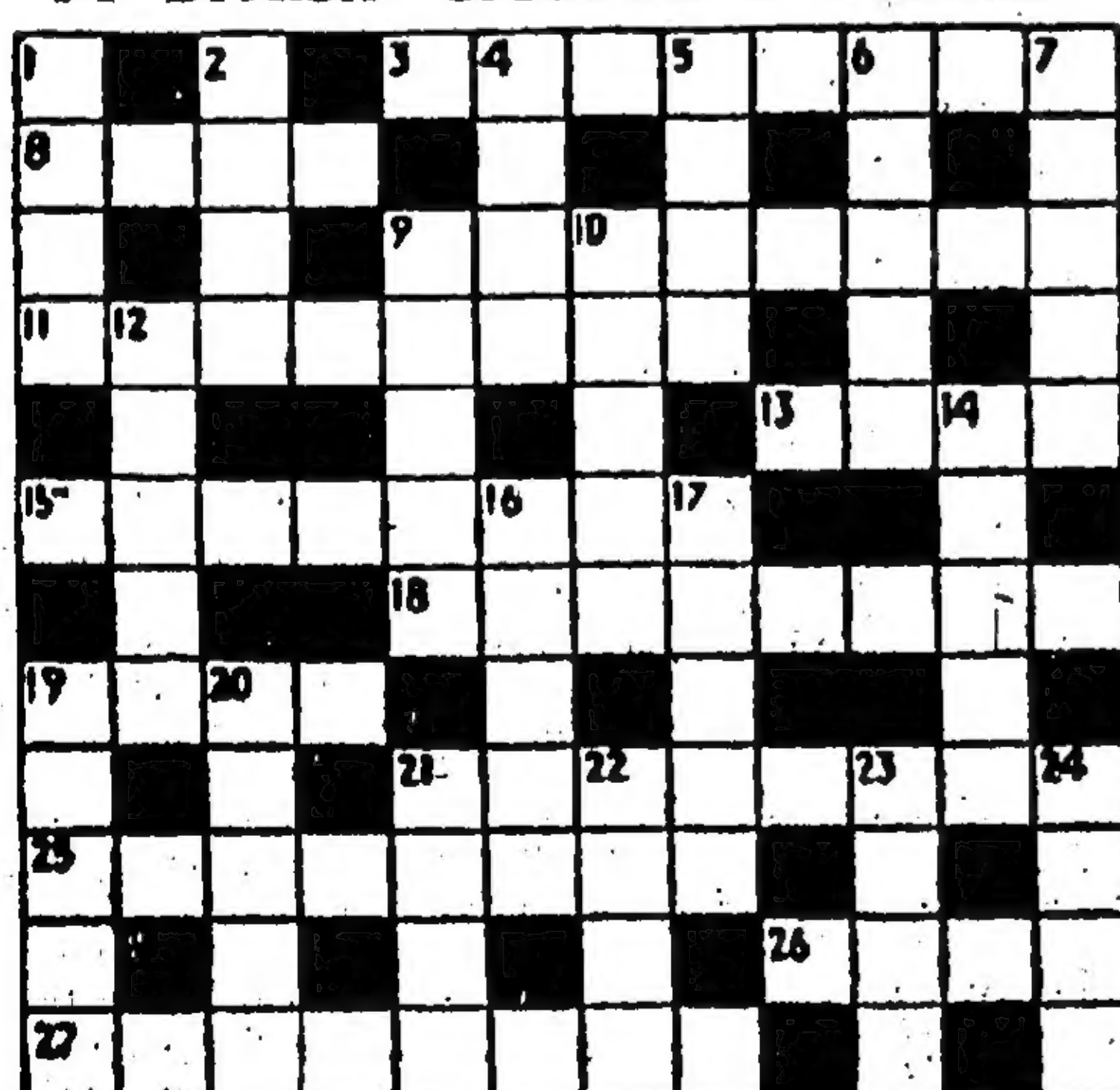
Melbourne, May 6. Dying patients are not taught "how to die" in modern hospitals, said Professor R. D. Wright, Melbourne University physiology professor when criticizing hospitals' chaplaincy systems.

He said too often dying patients were given a Bible to read and were left to "stew in their own incompetence early religious instruction."

He told Victorian State hospital administrators that it was too much to expect one denominational representative to give spiritual guidance to all patients in a big city hospital.

Patients should be able to get together voluntarily to form friendships and prepare each other for what lay ahead. — China Mail Special.

## A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS  
3 Got ready (8).  
8 Actual (4).  
9 Strong dislike (8).  
11 Contrite (8).  
13 Measure out (4).  
15 Rebellious (8).  
19 Choosing by vote (8).  
19 Slave (4).  
21 Proposal (8).  
25 Judges (8).  
26 Old (4).  
27 Find out (8).

## PRINTERS ON STRIKE

Rome, May 6. A nation-wide strike of printers gave newspapers an unscheduled holiday today.

No Sunday morning newspapers were printed as a result of the strike, which included members of both Communist and non-Communist unions, and no Tuesday afternoon papers will appear.

The walkout came as a result of a breakdown in negotiations for a new work contract. — United Press.

## Okinawa Labour Investigation

Washington, May 6.

The newly-merged trade union in the United States today named its delegates to an international inquiry into labour conditions on Okinawa.

The delegates, chosen by the American Federation of Labour-Congress of Industrial Organizations, are Mr Gordon Chapman, of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees Union and Mr George Weaver, of the United Transport Service Employees Union.

THREE POINTS

They will arrive in Tokyo on May 11 to join the Japanese representatives on the inquiry panel, organised by the International Confederation of Free Trade Unions (ICFTU).

The ICFTU mission will investigate:  
1. Whether legal or actual restrictions exist on the workers' right to organise, bargain collectively, and pursue normal trade union activities.  
2. The "comparative weakness" of trade unions on the island and what can be done to help them.  
3. The social and economic conditions which may adversely affect living standards of the workers and any other directly related circumstances. — Reuter.

Singapore, May 6. Christian church leaders protested here when they found tiny plastic crucifixes were being sold by street vendors.

The peddlers were offering the crucifixes with a package of plastic animals, horseshoes and flowers, for the equivalent of three pence. — China Mail Special.

## 30,000 PRISONERS TO BE RELEASED

By Don Dallas

LONDON, May 6.

Poland is leading the East European Communist states in freeing or promising to free political victims of the Stalin era, a survey showed today.

A Polish Government amnesty bill of April 27 provides for the release of 30,000 prisoners, including 4,500 political prisoners.

An official Warsaw statement said another 4,500 political prisoners will have their sentences reduced.

Observers here believe that if other East European states follow this pattern and genuinely free the political victims then a major burning political issue between the West and the Communist bloc would be resolved.

Still Angry

Sir Anthony Eden, the British Prime Minister, indicated in guarded comments to the House of Commons last week that it was wise to tread cautiously if concrete results were to be achieved. He asked members not to press him on whether he had interceded for the release of political prisoners during his talks here with the Russian leaders.

Meanwhile in Moscow, Mr Nikita Khrushchev, the Soviet Communist Party leader, indicated that he was still angry at the British Labour Party leaders for having pressed him to free political prisoners.

They (the British Socialist leaders) know, and the world knows, that we are trying to rectify our mistakes.

"Why then drag out this and other heinous questions? So as to gain favour in the eyes of the reactionaries?" he asked.

Reports meanwhile list major political "opponents" including Social Democrats and former peasant party leaders, still gaol in Eastern Europe, together with prominent church leaders imprisoned or deprived of their liberty.

Church leaders in gaol or under house arrest include Roman Catholic prelates and priests in Poland, Hungary, Bulgaria, Rumania and Czechoslovakia.

In Bulgaria 15 Protestant pastors were gaol in February, 1949, for alleged anti-state activities, for terms ranging from 10 years to life.

Total Not Known

The Soviet Union has not so far cleared up the fate of many former political leaders in the Baltic states, which were forcibly incorporated into the USSR in 1940.

About 200 of the more prominent former political and trade union leaders (excluding Communist Party members who fell from grace) and church leaders are believed to be still in gaol in Eastern Europe.

The total of all political prisoners in the Soviet bloc states is not known. Official estimates in the Stalin era referred to many millions in labour camps but the number may have been considerably reduced since Stalin died.

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Poland, besides announcing the amnesty and freeing former Communist leaders, has also recently released a group of former Polish Army officers gaol in 1951.

This ties in with the rehabilitation of former members of the Polish home army — the underground army, backed by the West which fought against the German occupiers in World War II.

About 18 months ago Bulgaria freed a number of former supporters of the Agrarian leader, Nikola Petkov, executed in 1947, for treason and espionage.

Another former supporter of Petkov, Boris Bumbarov, was freed last November.

Nine Leaders

Reports said the reason for these releases might be a broader "national front" possibly not directly connected with the "de-Stalinisation" campaign launched in February.

Believed to be still in Bulgarian gaol are nine former Social Democrat leaders, sentenced to terms from 10 to 15 years, in November, 1949.

The group was led by Kosta Luichev, former secretary of the Social Democratic Workers' Party.

In Czechoslovakia, three former Social Democrat leaders are serving life sentences imposed as late as November, 1953 — 20 months after Stalin died.

They include Dr Ladislav Pileman, Deputy Mayor of Prague from 1946 to 1948. Other Social Democrat leaders were gaol for long terms in 1948, 1950 and June 1953.

Recently Czechoslovakia has freed some gaol former Communist leaders and has set up a commission to review the cases of certain political prisoners.

To date the cases reviewed appear to be those of former Communists rather than political opponents.

Hungary: About 50 Social Democrats, mostly minor figures, were reported released some six months ago.

Anna Kertely, a former prominent Social Democrat leader, was freed in October, 1954.

Unconfirmed reports say that a further handful of Social Democrat leaders, including three former members of Parliament, were quietly released in Hungary some five weeks ago.

But reports listed several dozen politicians previously gaol of whom no news has been received — including the former Deputy Lord Mayor of Budapest, Peter Bechtler, and the former Social Democrat leader Jozsef Buechler.

Fled To West

East Germany: an East German announcement on April 26, reported that 88 persons had been released from gaol since 1945 and a similar number to have their sentences cut gives some indication for one Communist state.

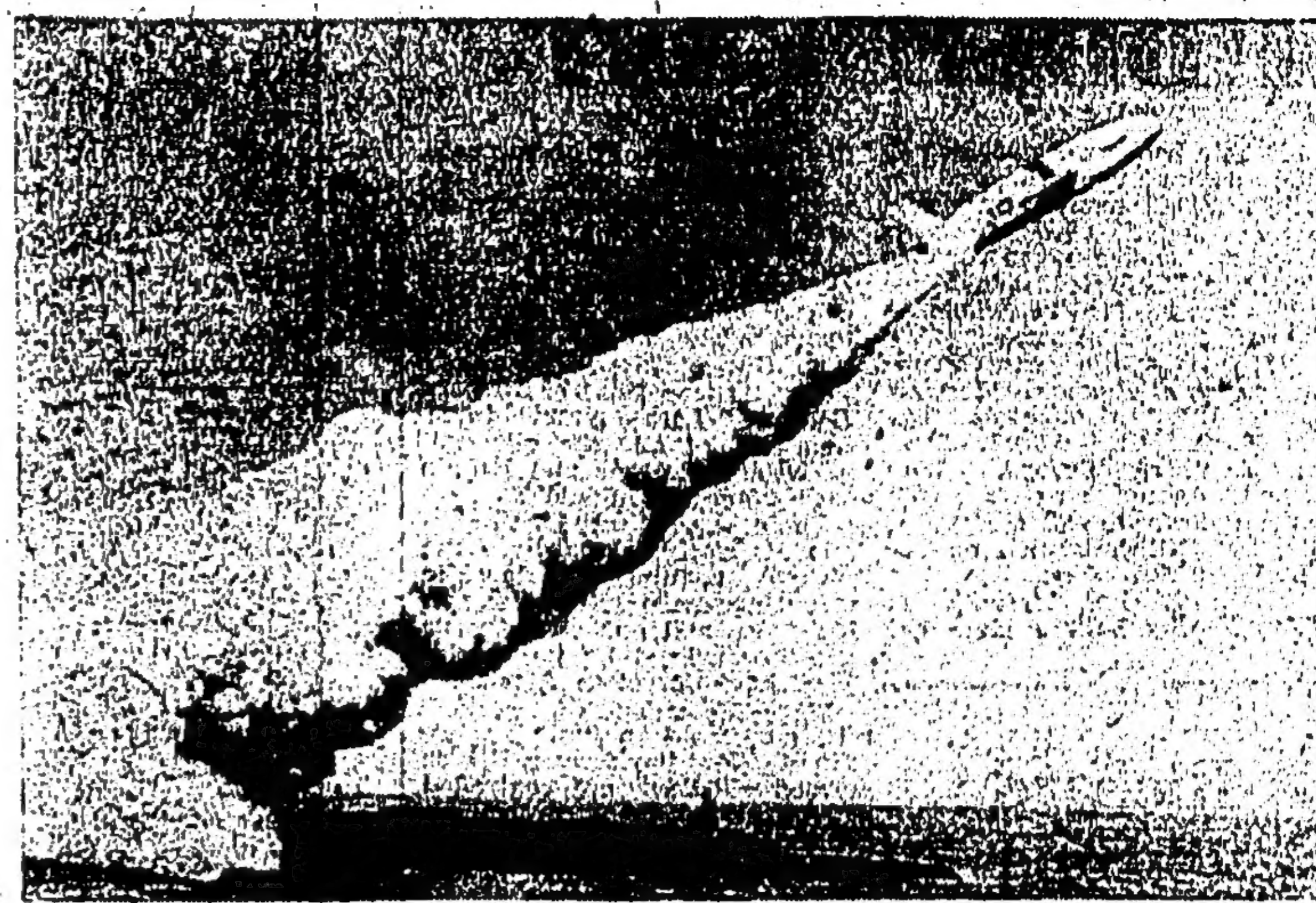
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## Guided Missile Launched From US Submarine

This US Navy's surface-to-surface guided missile, the Chance Vought Regulus, soared skyward after being fired from the deck of a submarine. The Regulus is designed for launching from submarines, surface ships and shore bases. It is electronically controlled to its target by the launching ship's airborne aircraft, other ships strategically located, or shore-based personnel. — Express Photo.

## A-Exercises Held In England

London, May 6.

A large number of civilians were "saved" after the hypothetical fall of a megaton atomic bomb over central London, it was announced tonight at the close of an exercise to test passive defence measures against atomic attack.

The bomb of a power equal to 10 million tons of TNT was taken to have made a crater of 2,000 feet deep, close to Charing Cross railway station, and seven mobile groups and bulldozer teams went into action to divert traffic, clear streets of debris and evacuated the wounded.

A similar exercise was staged in the Midlands industrial centre of Birmingham, and a third involving kiloton bombs in Sussex county, south of London.

Official exercise reports said that large numbers of people would have been saved despite a radioactive column that rose to a height of nearly 20 miles. — France-Press.

## Zionists' Appeal

Jerusalem, May 6.

The World Zionist Congress representing Zionist organisations of 60 countries tonight called on Russia to release the "thousands of Zionists still in gaol in Soviet prisons" and allow them to emigrate to Israel.

The Congress, which was holding its closing session here, also adopted a resolution asking both the Russian and Rumanian governments to allow the emigration of Jews to Israel. — Reuter.

## U.S. Government Should Protect Its Refugee Immigrants

New York, May 6.

The Government was asked today to establish a "firm" procedure assuring refugee immigrants of full protection against Communist pressures, such as those that led to the return of five Soviet seamen to Russia.

The appeal was made by Roland Elliott, refugee immigration director of the Church World Service Agency, of the National Council of Churches.

Firm Statement

The Agency has maintained constant daily contact with the five seamen until they suddenly flew back to Russia on April 7, in the company of Soviet diplomatic personnel. Church World Service officials were spurned by the men at the airport.

Mr Elliott said pressures similar to those on the seamen are "actively in effect in many other cases."

"I hope that very soon our Government may make a firm statement of its policy in such cases in order that the thousands of refugees waiting in the camps be freed from

## Extension Of NATO's Non-Military Functions Studied

London, May 6.

Main long-term Western diplomatic interest here in the Atlantic Pact ministerial council's communique issued in Paris today centred on the outcome of the work of the special committee which will re-examine the possible extension of NATO's non-military functions.

The committee of "three wise men"—the foreign ministers of Canada, Italy and Norway—which has been set up on a British suggestion, will travel around Atlantic Pact capitals and report next autumn.

Three Reasons

Western diplomatic observers here considered the communique to be a highly sensible document for these reasons:

1. It went into the reasons why NATO was formed as a defensive military alliance.
2. It explained that most of these reasons still existed — for example no progress had been made in solving major European problems like the reunification of Germany.
3. The communique stressed that there should be no relaxation of military vigilance. But it did recognise the new economic and non-military offensives of the Soviet Union and that was to counteract these that the "three wise men" have the "three wise men" have the task of determining what more the Atlantic Pact can do in the future.

Mr Sidney Lloyd, the British Foreign Secretary, who is returning to London by air from Paris later today is expected to report on the Paris discussions to a Cabinet meeting here on Thursday. — China Mail Special.

## GREATEST EVENT

London, May 6. Mr Jim Griffiths, a former Labour Colonial Secretary, said here today that the emergence of the continent of Asia and Africa to the front of the world's stage was the greatest event taking place just now.

His aide and a Moroccan passenger were also killed and the driver seriously wounded.

Meanwhile, it was reported that a sergeant of the Moroccan "Liberation Army" had written to the Governor of Taza Province, stating that two French airmen, kidnapped when their plane made a forced landing in northern Taza on Thursday, would be freed in exchange for two members of the Liberation Army detained by the French authorities.

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JIM GRIFFITHS

"They are in revolt against colonialism," he told a May Day rally in London's Trafalgar Square.

"They want to share the world with us on equal terms. It is criminal folly to seek to resist them."

"We need them and they need us—they need our skill and knowledge and experience, and we need their raw materials and their markets." — Reuter.

## Mozart Operas For Games Visitors

Melbourne, May 6. Mozart operas will be staged for visitors to the Olympic Games this year in Melbourne. Australia's two leading symphony orchestras will also give concerts.

Douglas Stewart's verse play "Red Kelly", a poetic account of the lawless days of bushrangers, will be presented by the Australian Elizabethan Theatre Trust.

Singers from overseas have been engaged for the four Mozart operas. They include the principal soprano with the Vienna State Opera, Elena Jurina, and her husband, Sesto Bruscantini, baritone at La Scala Opera House, Rome. — China Mail Special.

## Italian Film Disappoints Audience

Cannes, May 6.

A full audience today saw the second Italian entry for the Cannes International Film Festival, "Gli Innamorati" (The Lovers)—a light entertainment but disappointing, considering the traditional high standard of Italian neo-realistic film making.

In the audience were the principal actors in the film, Antonella Lualdi, Franco Interlenghi, Alessandro Pinaro, Sergio Raimondi and Valeria Moriconi.

Also present were the Begum Aga Khan, many other film stars and several Festival officials.

SIMPLE STORY

The film, made by Mauro Bolognini, disappointed those in the audience who remembered such Italian film as "Bicycle Thieves." It takes its subject from Italian everyday life and tells the simple story of the love affair of two young people in the popular quarter of Rome.

Meanwhile, the International Federation of the Cinema Press decided at a congress here today that the 1956 critics prize would be awarded during the Venice film festival and the 1957 prize at the Berlin festival. — France-Press.

## Caid Killed In Car

Rabat, May 6.

Si Hadh Omar Ben Larbi, Caid of Chicaoua, 40 miles west of Marrakesh, was shot dead while driving in his car yesterday, it was learned here today.

His aide and a Moroccan passenger were also killed and the driver seriously wounded.

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## NY STOCK EXCHANGE BLAZE

New York, May 6.

The New York stock exchange will be open for business as usual tomorrow despite a fire which knocked out the exchange's quotation service.

A crew of 100 telephone company employees has worked around the clock since Friday night to replace the damage.

The fire broke out in a transformer vault in the basement and worked its way up a communications shaft to the 17th floor of the building before being brought under control. Thousands of wires in seven cables were melted.

The quotation service, which carries an average of 75,000 calls a day, was completely out on Saturday. The service furnishes bids and asking prices on stocks.

Also affected was the exchange's administrative switchboard with 70 outside trunk lines and some 400 extensions. — United Press.

## French Socialists In Ukraine

Paris, May 6.

Part of a delegation of French Socialists at present visiting the Soviet Union, arrived by air in the Ukraine centre of Kiev today, on a tour of various regions of the USSR, the Tass agency reported.

The group, led by Deputy Secretary-General of the French Socialist Party, M. Georges Brille, was welcomed at its arrival by the Secretary of the Ukrainian Communist Party, Central Committee, Mr Ivan Nizhnik. — France-Press.



Eden Should Warn Messrs B And K

## STOP MEDDLING IN THE MIDDLE EAST

London. I OFFER friendly advice to Sir Anthony Eden in his dealings with the Russian leaders. As the most skilled diplomat alive, with the possible exception of Molotov, he should not allow himself to be deceived by the Russian promise to support the United Nations over Israel. By the declaration, the Kremlin has won itself another prize—through a technique that is thick with Stalinist ruse. First, you create a crisis, as Russia has done by pouring arms into Egypt. Then, when war seems inevitable, you intervene. Thus you become a peacemaker.

From the beginning, of course, Russia has not wanted a war between Egypt and Israel. And that is the betrayal of Colonel Gamal Abdel Nasser, the Cairo dictator. For he does not want war either.

That is the explanation for the almost vulgar haste with which, despite his belated speeches, he signed the cease-fire pledge a few days ago. With America, Britain and Russia committed to intervene against aggression, he can tell his fanatical Jew-haters that to march against Israel would be suicide.

The war, for the moment, is off, and no one is more relieved than Gamal, Nikita and Nikolai. They have other plans in the Middle East, offering richer plunder, more lasting power. And the victims as always, are Britain and America.

### Watch out

That I, Emperor Sir Anthony, "do not be deceived." For while Nikita and Nikolai reap the propaganda harvest of peace between Israel and Egypt, these two peace-lovers are committing evil deeds across the North African desert in Libya.

The Kingdom of Libya, populated mainly by 1,600,000 dusty Arab nomads, is of incalculable strategic importance to Britain in our struggle to retain supremacy in the Middle East. And equally vital to America.

Britain has two airfields in the kingdom, two armored regiments, and many supply and repair depots. America, her biggest bomber base outside the United States, plus live firing ranges for the whole of her air force in Europe. Libya is within easy bombing range of Russia. Whoever occupies her dominates, fanatically, the entire Middle East and Southern Europe. With Egypt thrown away, with Sudan down the drain, she is the last British bastion on the North African coast. That is her importance. That is why Britain gives her

By  
**Richard Strong**

\$10,000,000 a year and America \$7,000,000. And that is why a chubby, cheerful little Russian, one Nikolai Ivanovich Gerasimov, has arrived there as the first Soviet Ambassador, offering the desert moon to the nomads if they will break with the West.

Roads, hospitals, harbours, engineering equipment—Nikolai places no limit on Russian offers. And in case Libya's shrewd Premier Ben Halim fears the Soviet cheque will bounce, once the West has gone, about has come Russia's Middle Eastern agent, Colonel Nasser, to pledge Egyptian and Saudi Arabian gold to the equivalent of Western bounties, so long as the West is given notice to quit.

Eden is, of course, aware of these Russian schemings. He is I am sure, advising B and K to stop their attempts to usurp us from the Middle East—if they really want co-existence. It is much more in the interests of peace for him to press home this point.

For nothing less than our standard of life is at stake. That is no exaggeration. Nasser is sworn to force us out of the Middle East by persuading the Arabs to withdraw our rights in their lands. First Libya and

then the others. If he succeeds, poverty will be upon our nation, with mass unemployment and misery.

We depend upon our Middle East oil. Without it a terrible shortage will come to our factories. The wheels will not turn. Our roads will be empty. That is true also of Western Europe. Last year three-quarters of all the oil used in Western Europe and Britain came from the Middle East.

There are, of course, simple-minded people who believe the oil will continue to flow in abundance even if Nasser gets his way and our oil interests are expropriated by the Arabs. They have forgotten Abadan.

When Mossadegh intervened, the oil ceased to flow for two years. Now the former British owned oilfields are controlled by an international consortium. And the rate of production remains at half what it was under British management.

Similar mismanagement of our other oil fields would do fearful damage to Britain. But there is a still greater danger. If Nasser's dream is fulfilled, if the Arabs control the oil, they will be able to exercise a blackmailing influence over the affairs of Britain.

### Moscow puppet

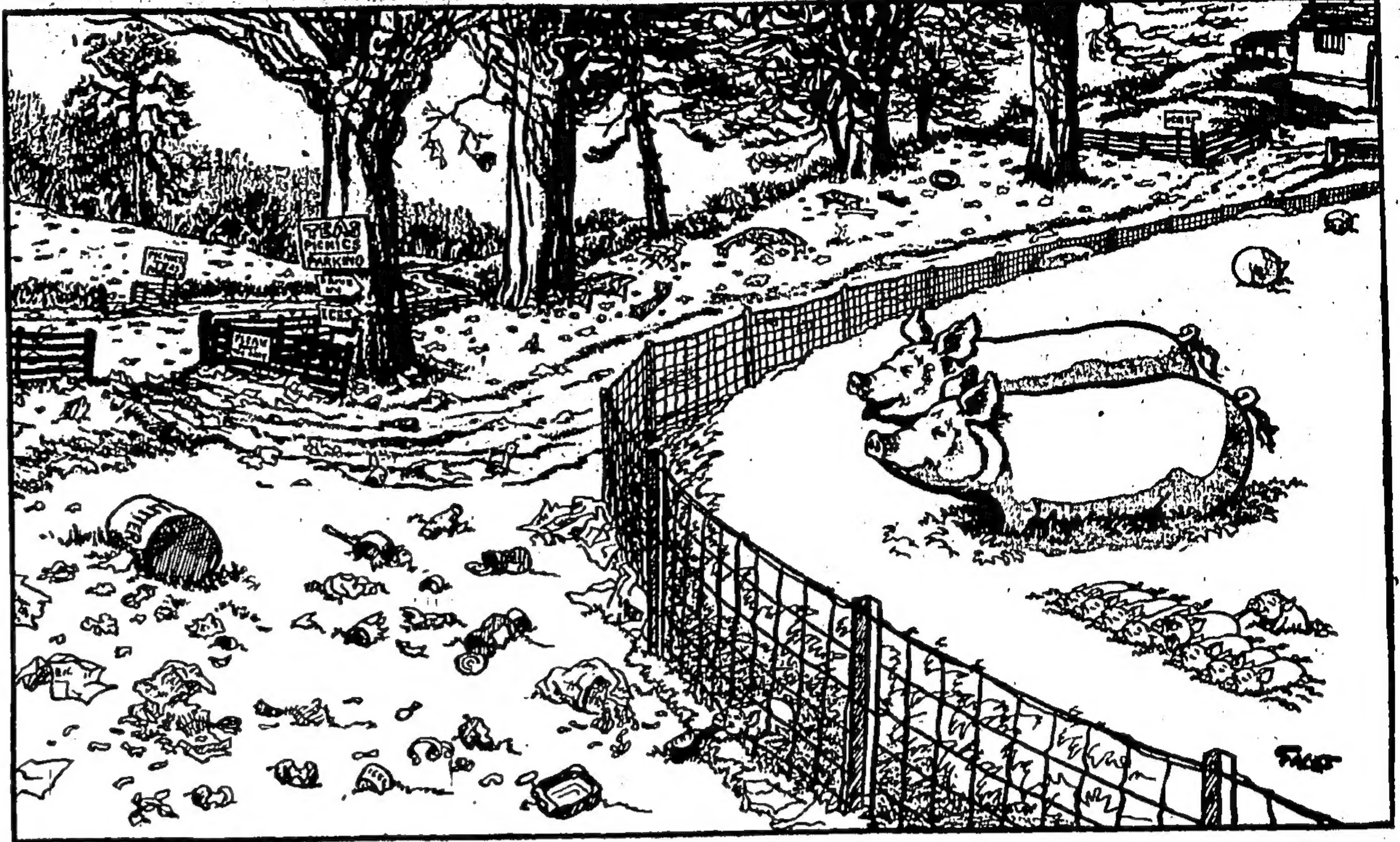
That situation we could not tolerate. Since Nasser is a Moscow puppet, we would be at the Kremlin's mercy. And so, eventually, would America. For 70 percent of the world's oil reserves are in the Middle East. That is why Eden will serve Britain well, serve her faithfully, by warning Khrushchev and Bulganin that to preserve peace Russia must keep out of the Middle East. She must stop meddling in Libya. There must be an end to Czech arms for Arabs.

Abadan, Egypt, the Sudan are lost to Britain. Nasser seeks to oust us from Libya, the Aden protectorates and Jordan. North Africa is in bloody revolt against the French—again with Soviet-Egyptian backing.

No further retreats are possible. That should be plain to us all. If it has been made plain to the Russians their journey will have proved one of the most momentous in history for peace.

## TAIL-LIGHT VIEW

by GILES



"YET IT'S US THEY TAG 'DIRTY'"

London Express Service

The man who succeeds Gruenther as Allied Supreme Commander in Europe, and

## THE PROBLEMS THAT NORSTAD FACES

By LES ARMOUR



He's 49, looks 39

TO Lauris Norstad, success has seemed to come as easily as walking. He exudes it. Slim, dapper, six feet tall, he is 49 and looks 39. His seldom appears anywhere without a faint trace of a smile which reveals instantly that he is a man enjoying himself hugely.

Quiet, soft-spoken, confident but not cocksure, he looks, out of uniform, more like a prosperous university lecturer than a general.

He is obviously a man who likes the world as he finds it—or as he has made it. It is difficult to put your finger on the secret of his success.

He is the son of a Lutheran minister and the grandson of a Norwegian farmer. His first interest was in the law but he was attracted, curiously, to the army and, at the last minute, decided to go to West Point rather than to law school.

At West Point he was not, to say the least of it, a spectacular success. He graduated 139th in the class of 1930. In those days, West Point classes weren't very big.

He opted for training in the Army Air Corps and was hustled off to Hawaii. Thereafter, success hit him with a bang.

His superiors almost immediately divined that they were on to a good thing: Norstad was

put on staff duty before he even had time to complete bomber pilot training.

Planning and strategy turned out to be his métier. So did intelligence work. He had an uncanny ability to ferret out the weaknesses in an enemy position, to calculate just how many men it would take to overcome it, and where they should be if the weaknesses were to be taken full advantage of. He could also make sense of scanty intelligence reports, assess them, and divine the full picture of an enemy's operations.

The mind which his teachers had marked off for the legal profession was equally adept at military thinking.

### Curious Mind

It was, in some respects, a curious mind. He did not think in the cold, certain terms of the mathematician and the engineer. Indeed his weakness in mathematics and engineering showed up all too clearly at West Point. He thought, instead, in human terms. Given this position and these men, what would any enemy do? Norstad usually knew the answer.

The result was that by the time the U.S. entered World War II, Norstad was assistant Chief of Staff for Air Intelligence.

In 1943, at 36, he became a Brigadier-general, one of the youngest in the air corps. At that moment he was in Tunisia as "Air Operations Officer" under General "Hap" Arnold.

Not long after he was promoted to brigadier he was out on the town in civilian clothes. A colonel, in uniform, mistaking him for a young recruit, ordered him to "hustle up a drink." Blandly, the brigadier complied. The colonel didn't even spot the twinkle in his eye.

In Europe and in the Pacific (he was shuttled back and forth) he planned some of the U.S.'s biggest air assaults. A single operation would have been enough to make his name.

In 1943, with the invasion of Italy on the drawing boards, one of the Allies' biggest problems was to dispose of Pantelleria, the island in the Sicilian Straits which the Italians boasted was "impregnable."

Norstad planned an air assault. British troops landed after his assault. The battle lasted just 22 minutes. Not a single soldier or sailor was lost.

Characteristically, Norstad lost no time in disclaiming the story that this was all his personal work. "It was prepared with particular care by a large and competent staff," he said flatly. The statement did not say who was in charge of the large and competent staff.

After the war, Norstad, at Eisenhower's insistence, was named War Department Director of Plans and Operations. The biggest feud in U.S. Army-Navy history was in progress—a move to separate the Air Force from the two older services and consolidate it into a new, streamlined organization.

While the feud was at its height, Norstad conferred quickly with Admiral Forrest Sherman and reached an agreement on service unification. The plan swept aside all objections and Norstad became Air Force Chief of Operations.

### Next Jump

His next jump was to Europe, in command of all U.S. Air Forces in Britain and on the Continent. Then Gruenther, who had taken over from Eisenhower as Supreme Allied Commander in Europe, named him his air deputy.

Norstad's plan was to re-gear NATO's air forces for the atomic age. He master-minded the new radar defence system, planned a chain of airfields, and plotted atomic strategy.

He is under no illusion that any future war could be fought along the lines of any past war. That was, perhaps, why he was in charge of the large and competent staff.

was interrupted while he was addressing a women's club in West Germany to be informed that he had been chosen Gruenther's successor. He didn't even mind the fact the day was Friday, the 13th of April.

His friends say that about the only thing that disturbed him in the announcement was the realization that he would have to stay away from Washington for a few more years. His hobby used to be arguing law—with Supreme Court Justice Felix Frankfurter. He misses his hobby.

Still, he has others—history for one. He and his wife Isabelle and their 18-year-old daughter Kristin live, by choice, in an 18th century French villa, which is the exact obverse of the modern American gadget-ridden home.

Anyway, he didn't seem frightened about NATO's problems. That, perhaps, is strange. For there are good reasons for believing that Gruenther decided to get out now partly because he could see an endless sequence of headaches in front of him without any sign of appropriate antidotes.

### A Realist

Among them are the facts that France has cut her NATO contributions to a tiny 5,000 men, that Iceland has decided to clear out American troops, that West Germany's Chancellor Konrad Adenauer is planning his own negotiations with the Russians, and that NATO's southern flank is wide open because of the British-Greek-Turkish feud over Cyprus.

Norstad, of course, doesn't underestimate any of these difficulties. But he is a shrewd psychologist as well as a shrewd tactician.

It is rumoured, for instance, that he has some sympathy for Premier Mollet's view that NATO is too interested in its guns and too little interested in the economic and social work envisaged under the original treaty.

He sees that much of the future "cold-war" battle is going to be fought with psychology and economics, and he is sure that a more stable organization will not grow out of the present exchange of views.

More immediately, however, he is a realist: his warning system and his atomic strategy are geared to function with a cut-down, streamlined organization. If masses of men are no longer available, Norstad will no doubt be gripped, but he is not the man to give up. He is much more likely to give a new strategy to do without them.

His self-confidence may not be misplaced.

Henry Hunter

## HAPPY WORKERS FROM THE CARIBBEAN... But Beware Of Music While They Work!

London. It was not necessary, the other day, to be a sleuth-hound with the astuteness of a Sherlock Holmes in order to reach the conclusion that another large batch of coloured people had just added themselves to London's population.

A population, let it be said, which is already far, far too vast.

Other arrivals from abroad slip unnoticed into this huge, sprawling metropolis of the British Commonwealth, and are quickly absorbed in the capital's cosmopolitan community.

But the dusky young men and maidens from Jamaica and Trinidad remain conspicuous until such time as they have obtained jobs and enough cash to change their wonderfully-hued jackets, soft hats, bright ties

caps and vivid yellow shoes for the drabber clothes of the self-effacing residents of the United Kingdom.

The batch of newcomers who arrived in London the other day from the West Indies had landed a little while before at Plymouth, on the south coast of England, and they numbered some 1,200.

The Colonial Office told me that they represented the biggest single contingent of West Indians ever to reach Britain.

About 150 of them went straight into jobs for London Transport—and what courteous conductors, ticket-collectors and porters these coloured migrants make on the Big City's buses and in the railway stations!

It was pretty certain, moreover, that the remainder of the 1,200 would not be jobless for very long. Employers in Britain these days have the same difficulties with workers as employers in sundry other countries, and they are only too glad to take on personnel who are better at laughing than at grumbling.

All the same, the evidence that the flow of West Indians into Britain, which began some three years ago, has by no means ended is causing concern in some quarters.

As members of the British Commonwealth, the West Indians are free to come and go as they please. But supposing heavy unemployment should ever strike Great Britain again—what then? Such is the disturbing question that is being asked.

My Colonial Office friend tells me that 40,000 of the former population of the West Indies have settled either in London, or in the Midlands, or in the North of England county of Lancashire.

The influx seems to be confined, more or less, to England. Only about three per cent of the migrants have travelled farther north and crossed the remains of the ancient Roman Wall erected by Hadrian to move over the border into Scotland.

So far, as London is concerned, I can testify that the coloured people from the West Indies cause little or no trouble to the authorities in those areas of the

metropolis in which they have settled.

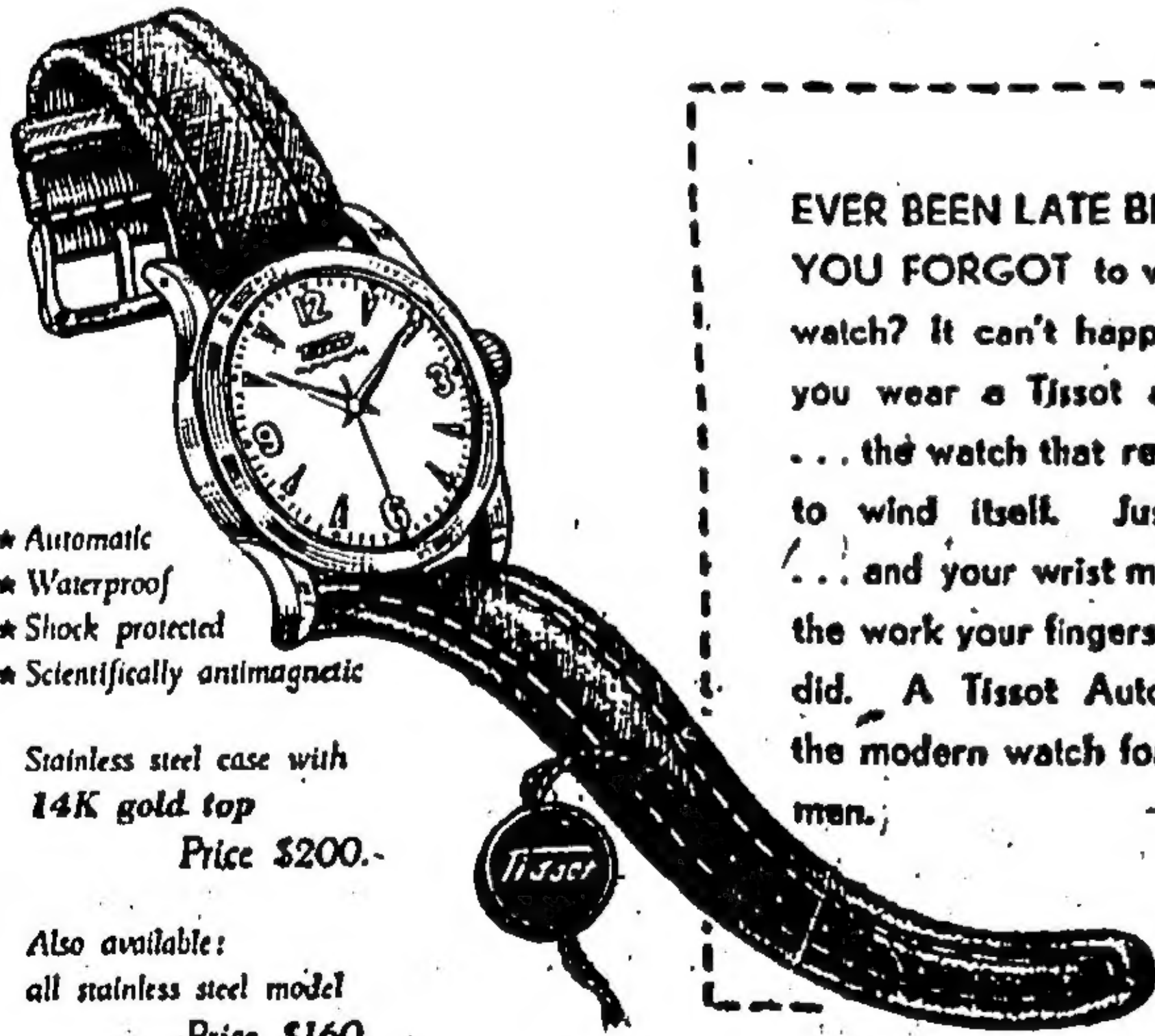
As for their good nature, there is a story told of a manufacturer who had to stop the relay of the radio programme, "Music While You Work," featured in so many British factories as a means of brightening up the daily routine at bench or machine.

In their ignorance of the ways of the white man's world, the carefree West Indians employed by this manufacturer could not get used to the idea of continuing with their labours while the strains of popular music came over the relay system.

Whenever "Music While You Work" came on the air, they automatically felt it was time for relaxation, and as soon as the programme started, they "downed tools" and spent the half-hour of its duration in singing calypso, dancing congas and rumbas, and in general thoroughly enjoying themselves between the factory benches.

Henry Hunter

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Directors' Report and the  
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Meeting to be held at 11.30  
a.m. on that day shall have  
concluded when the proposed  
Resolution will be proposed as  
a Special Resolution:—

That the Articles of  
Association contained in  
the printed document sub-  
mitted to the Meeting, and  
for the purpose of identifi-  
cation subscribed by the  
Chairman thereof, be  
adopted as the Articles of  
Association of the Society  
in substitution for, and to  
the exclusion of, all the  
existing Articles thereof.

By Order of the Board,  
L. B. STONE,  
General Manager.

A print of the proposed new  
Articles can be inspected at  
the Head Office of the Society  
at Alexandra House, Ice House  
Street, Hong Kong, or at any  
of its branch offices including  
its London office at any time  
during business hours prior to  
the Meeting.

A Shareholder who is  
entitled to attend and vote at  
the meeting above convened  
may appoint a proxy to  
attend and vote instead of  
him. A proxy must be a  
Shareholder of the Society.  
Hong Kong, 1st May, 1956.

# SCIENCE & ENGINEERING

## PROVIDING THE TECHNOLOGISTS FOR MODERN INDUSTRY

### Britain's Plans To Expand Training And Educational Facilities

Britain is faced with a heavy and increasing demand for trained scientists. While the number and quality of her graduates in pure science compares favourably with those of other countries, the number of men trained in applied science is comparatively small and is now clearly insufficient for the needs of British industry.

In a White Paper the Govern-  
ment recently reviewed what  
has been done in recent years,  
and what it now proposes in  
order to meet this problem.

It is convenient to divide  
technical education above the  
level of the craftsman into two  
separate but related parts.

At the top is the technologist  
trained to the standard required  
for membership of a profes-  
sional institution.

He should be able to initiate  
research and practical develop-  
ment in industry and he may  
be expected to take high re-  
sponsibility in industrial ad-  
ministration. Below that is the  
technician qualified by specialist  
technical training to work under  
the general direction of a  
technologist.

It is estimated that industry  
needs five or six technicians to  
every technologist.

#### Not A New System

The White Paper does not  
propose the introduction of a  
radically new system of  
technical education but rather  
the improvement and develop-  
ment of what already exists.

Since the war the number of  
scientists taking degrees at  
British universities has doubled,  
and although most of these  
study pure and not applied  
science, a high and increasing  
proportion of them enter  
industry.

The expansion of scientific  
studies at the universities has  
already cost some £48 million,  
and a further £20 million is to  
be spent during the next five  
years on new buildings and  
equipment for applied science.  
Three quarters of this will go  
to enlarge the Imperial College  
of Science, a constituent of  
London University, into the  
main centre of technological  
education in Britain.

British industry has held  
firmly to a belief in practical  
training and the majority of its  
technologists have been trained  
by part-time study at technical  
colleges.

There are over 500 local  
education authority technical  
colleges in England, and the  
majority of them offering  
courses for craftsmen and tech-  
nicians.

About 150 of them also offer  
advanced courses for technologists  
and some 34 have a substantial  
proportion of technologists as  
well as technicians.

#### National Certificates

Most of these courses lead to  
the award of the national cer-  
tificates, the highest of which is  
not far below degree standard.

It is now proposed to develop  
a number of these colleges in  
England and Wales, with a  
similar development in Scotland,  
so that they can concentrate  
upon the training of technolo-  
gists.

At the same time the local  
education authorities will be  
asked to give these colleges a  
degree of academic freedom,  
with conditions of employment  
for academic staffs comparable  
to those of universities.

Efforts will be made to secure  
more active co-operation from  
industry in the running and  
financing of the colleges, and it  
is proposed that staffs should be  
encouraged to undertake  
research and to act as industrial  
consultants.

#### NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

##### "MANALOORE"

Damaged cargo ex this vessel will  
be surveyed by Messrs. Goddard &  
Douglas at H.M. Wharf from 10  
a.m. on May 10, 1956, and consignees  
are requested to have their repre-  
sentatives present during the survey.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
Agents.

Hong Kong, May 7, 1956.

Where are the future  
technologists to come from?  
The Government hopes that  
many more girls will take up  
applied science—a source which  
has been little considered in the  
past.

Some of the students will  
come from those who now take  
pure science, others perhaps  
from those who would now  
qualify for one of the literary  
professions.

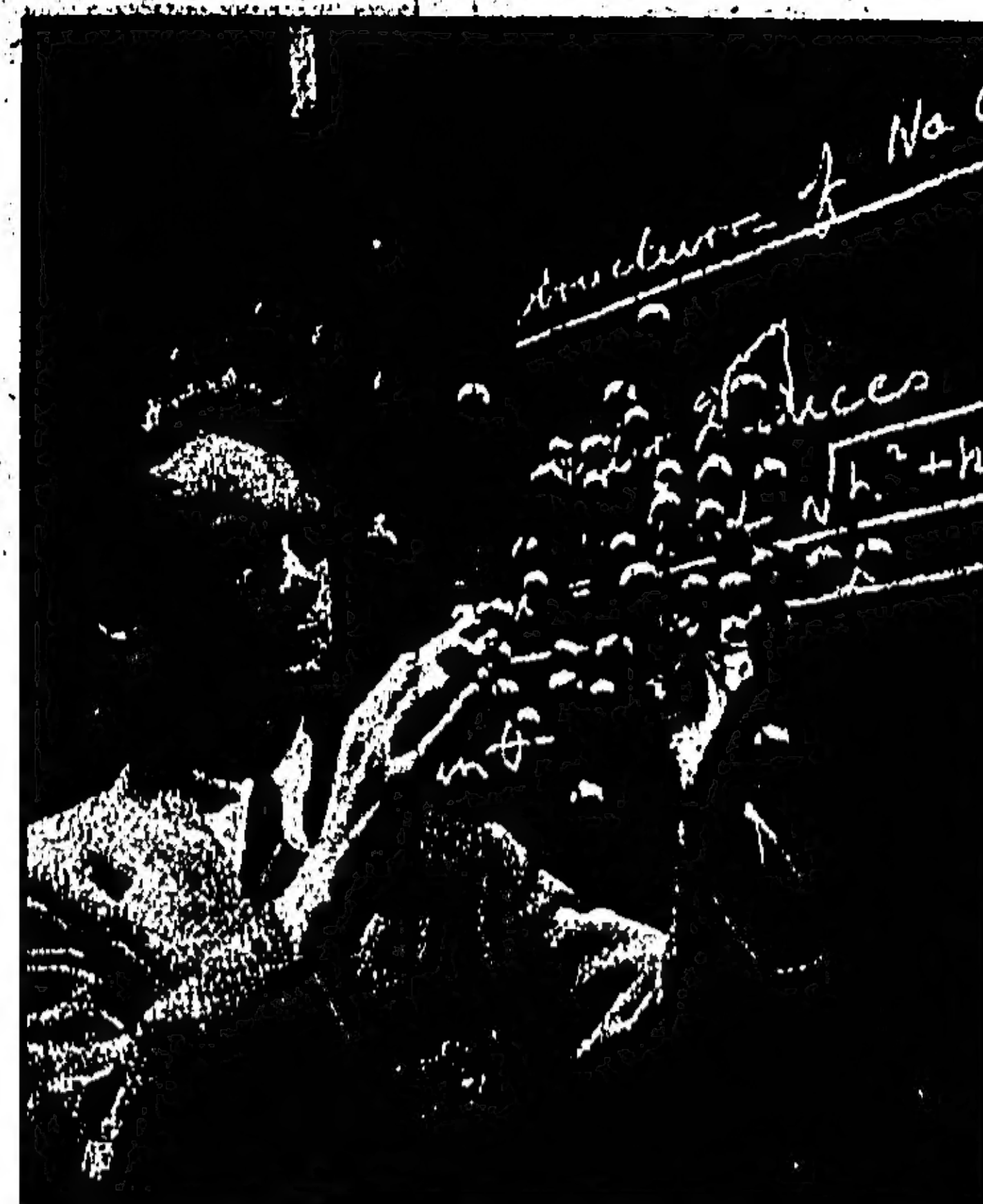
#### Spirit Of Enterprise

The most important problem  
of all is the quality of the pro-  
posed extended education. A  
high degree of scientific skill  
is not enough for modern in-  
dustry.

A spirit of technical enter-  
prise and a high degree of  
adaptability are also needed.  
Modern technology makes in-  
creasing demands on ability to  
organize, to manage, and to  
create good human relations. It  
demands men who combine high  
scientific skill with administra-  
tive ability and with fervour,  
imagination and wisdom.

Can technological education  
develop these qualities? The  
intense specialization, which  
constantly grows narrower as  
technology advances, makes it  
difficult to give the scientist an  
adequate general education.

Whatever broadening is  
attempted, however, will have  
to be based upon the interests  
and experiences of the students  
themselves. This may not prove  
so difficult in technology as in  
pure science and mathematics,  
for technology at every point  
can be shown to have the most  
far-reaching effects upon  
human society.



A young student at the Royal Technical College, Glasgow, Scotland, examines molecular structure on a model in the physics laboratory. Britain plans a big expansion of facilities for technological education.

## Lightweight Aircraft Battery

Now available for export is an ultra-lightweight, 24-volt alkaline battery for emergency duties in high-speed aircraft.

It has been developed by Nite Batteries Ltd., of Redditch, Worcestershire, England, in conjunction with Britain's Ministry of Supply.

It provides emergency power for turn and slip indicators and cockpit lighting.

Weighing under three pounds, its overall dimensions are only 4.25 inches by 4.25 inches by 3.375 inches high.

It is designed to operate without electrolyte leakage under aerobatic conditions.

Extreme mechanical strength is achieved, it is claimed, by a unique method of construction.

The 21 nickel cadmium cells are cemented together in a block and bound with glass fibre tape impregnated with polyester resin.

Terminals are protected by a cover of glass fibre-reinforced polyester resin, with locating grooves for the hold-down clamps provided in the aircraft.

## CABINET REDUCES EXPLOSION RISK

For many years the danger of explosion from handling perchloric acid and the toxic effects of hydrofluoric acid have been predominant in the minds of chemists and laboratory assistants.

As a result of considerable research into the effects of these and other aggressive chemicals on conventional wood and metal fume cabinets, a well-known firm of chemical plant engineers have produced the "Turbo" Cabinet, types 3 and 6.

The main structure of the cabinet is in BX Cobex rigid vinyl tube reinforced with metal.

Rigid half-inch polyvinylchloride sheet is employed to form the side of the back panel. A stainless steel tank (optional) can be incorporated to form the working level.

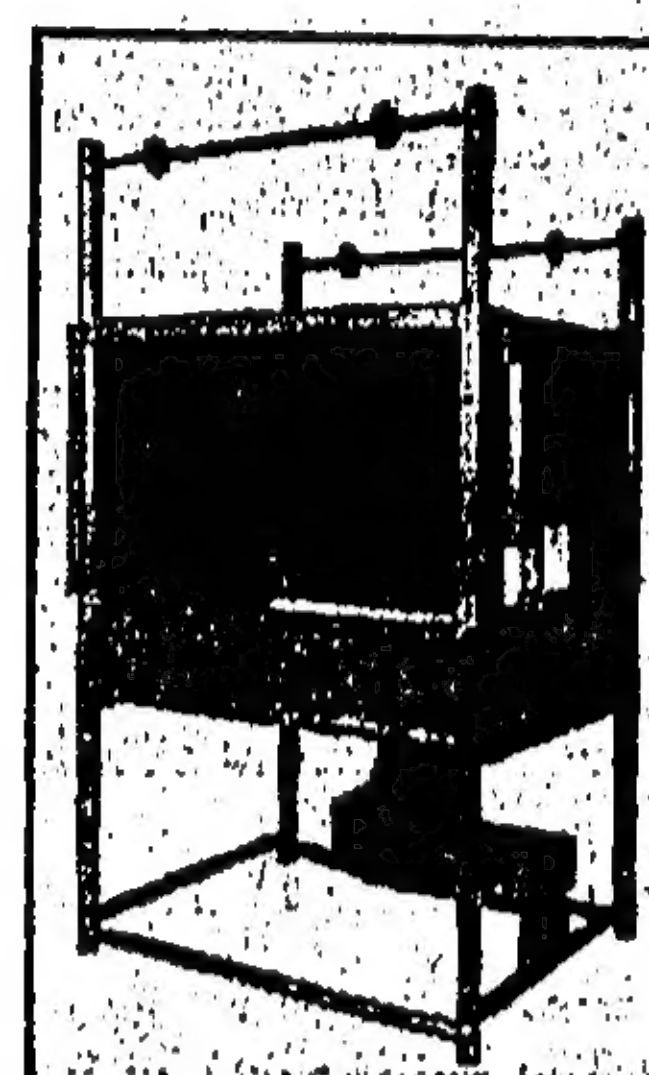
The tank is insulated from the polyvinylchloride with glass wool; burners and hot-plates may, it is claimed, be used with complete safety.

A water feed irrigates the tank to a depth of 1/2-inch, fumes from the cabinet are drawn through bottom extract ports to a fan, and in the case of perchloric acid the ducts may

be sprayed with water, to eliminate build up and risk of explosion.

A totally enclosed fluorescent light fitting and control gear is provided with the cabinet.

The sash is manufactured from transparent polyvinylchloride adequately reinforced, the sash is raised and lowered by "Terylene" cords working over polyvinylchloride pulleys and counter-balanced by lead weights in a tubular polyvinylchloride housing. Firm is: Turner and Brown Ltd., Davenport Street, Bolton, Lancashire, England.



This fume cabinet has been evolved, after considerable research, to safeguard workers from the dangers of explosion from handling perchloric acid and the toxic-effects of hydrofluoric acid. It is designed and manufactured by Turner and Brown Ltd., of Bolton, Lancashire, England.

## Mail Notices

The latest times of posting registered correspondence posted at 6.00 a.m. Hongkong. The latest posting times elsewhere, which, in general, are earlier than the times shown below, can be ascertained by enquiry at the local office.

The latest posting times for registered articles are shown one hour earlier than the times shown below. Particulars regarding parcel mails can be ascertained by enquiry at any post office.

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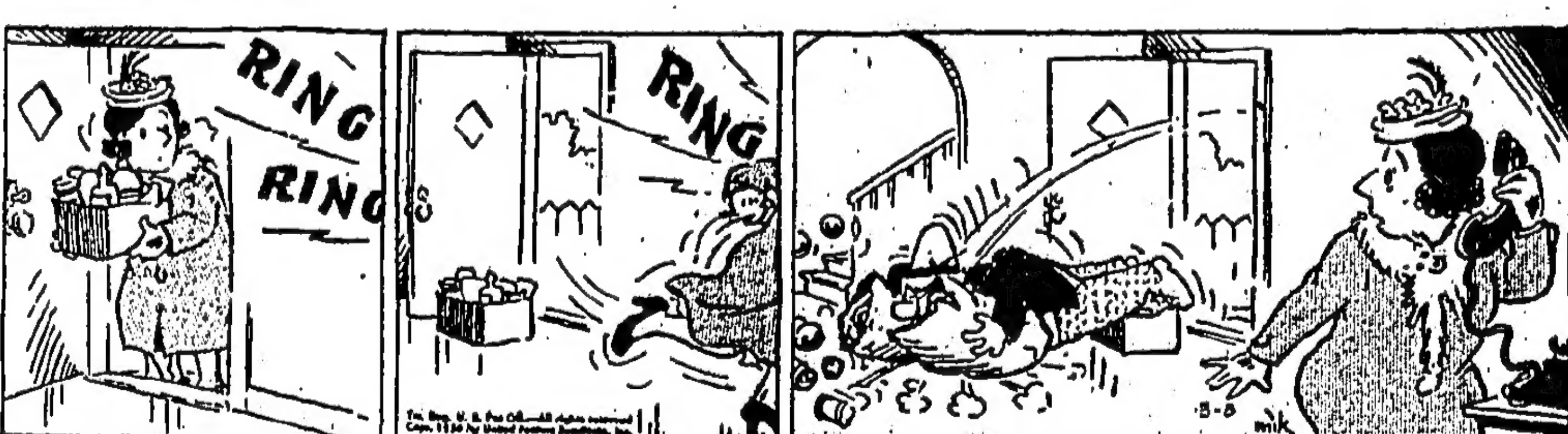
## MANDRAKE THE MAGICIAN

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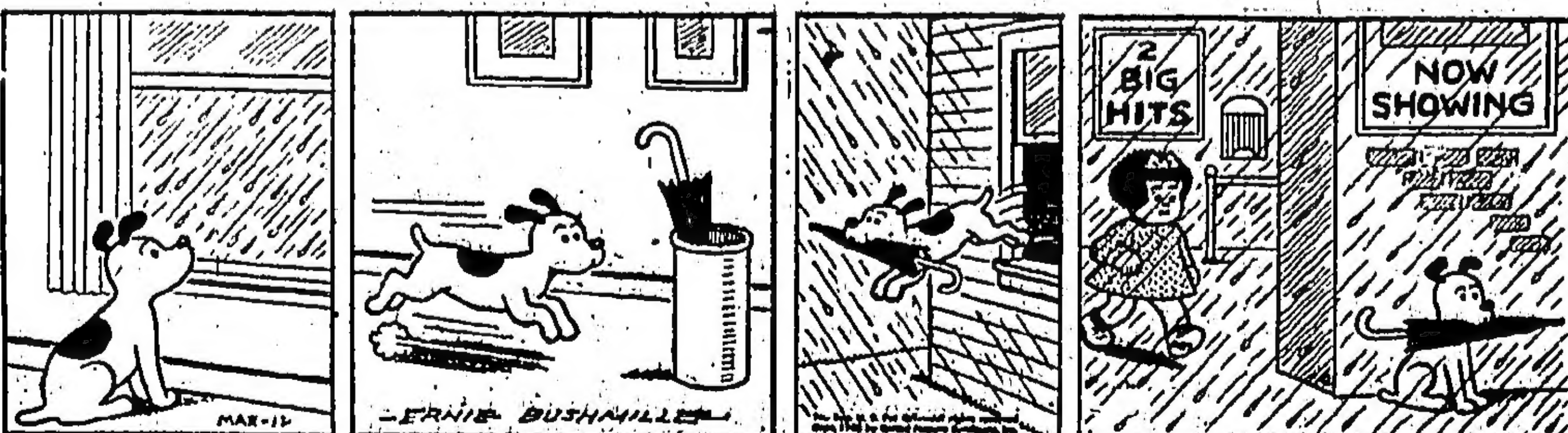
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## Radio Hongkong

H.K.T.  
6 p.m. Time Signal and Pro-  
gramme Summary. 6.05. "Star Dust"  
Market Report. 6.10. "Star Dust"  
Andre Kostelanetz and his Orchestra.  
6.15. Australian Magazine. 6.45.  
"Box 200" Bert Gillett at the Organ.  
(O.B.). 7. Popular Classics. 7.30.  
Playboy. 7.45. "The Music of the  
Devil" by the Arts, edited and in-  
troduced by Janet Ross. 8.00. The  
Weather Report. 8.10. Time Signal and  
the News (London Relay). 8.09.  
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Star. The Roger Wagner Chorale.  
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## JOHN CLARKE'S CASEBOOK

### Figure Of Speech

It takes a bold man, or an optimistic one, to speak in public at Lincoln's Inn Fields during the luncheon hour. Competition is fierce, and it comes from athletic business girls who, stripped for action, effortlessly draw crowds of tiring businessmen to watch them playing netball.

What can a man do, who feels he has a message to deliver, when he is surrounded by a crowd of 150 yards from the athletic girls and begins to humiliate himself by the did this or that, effectively that a crowd began to assemble, and a passing policeman warned him of the danger of causing obstruction to the footway.

**RETURN VISIT**  
THE constable left. Later he returned, accompanied by a sergeant, and by now Sebastian had gathered quite a large crowd. Up to Sebastian marched the sergeant. "You can't speak here," he said, "you're causing an obstruction."

"I believe in free speech," Sebastian announced, "and I'm not moving."

As he continued in his refusal to move he was arrested, and next morning at Bow Street charged with the wilful obstruction of the footway, and also with obstructing the sergeant in his duty.

**WRONGLY WORDED**  
"ARE you guilty or not guilty on the first charge?" he was asked.

"I believe that's brought under Section 72, isn't it?" Sebastian amiably inquired of the learned clerk. "It so, it's wrongly worded. It's not important, but..."

He generously let the matter of the wording slide, pleaded not guilty to both charges, then observed to Mr. R. H. Blundell, the magistrate: "I've appeared before you before, but I've no objection to you trying this case."

"I've no recollection," Mr. Blundell said, and called for the evidence. The sergeant told his story. "Any questions?" the magistrate asked Sebastian, when the sergeant had finished.

**DULY AUTHORISED**  
"THERE are proper reasons why I should not ask questions."

"Yes, but do you want to ask any?"

"Yes," said Sebastian, and turned to the officer. "Why aren't you bringing the duly authorised official—the carpark attendant—who saw all this, to give evidence against me?"

"He had nothing to do with it," said the sergeant.

"Ah," said Sebastian heavily. He took his place in the witness-box and was handed the Book to swear upon. He raised it, then put it down. "Under Section 77, sub-section 4, there is a right to refuse to give sworn evidence," he observed.

**ARE YOU SURE?**  
"YOU wish to affirm then?" the magistrate asked.

"No, for if I do so, I'm lawfully sworn as a witness."

"Do you want to make a statement from the dock?" the magistrate asked, patiently.

Sebastian nodded and returned whence he had come.

"I've a common law right to defend myself here," he said. "Incidentally, are you sure that is a Bible you have there in the witness-box?"

"Have you nothing to say about this?"

If he had, Sebastian was keeping it to himself. He was fined 10s on each of the two charges.

"And in lieu?" he demanded. No one seemed to hear. He was shown out, and into the dock a couple of girls were shown.

### NATO CABINET PROPOSAL

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Morocco and Tunisia. In Algeria, they appear to be using force in an attempt to create the conditions for a state-manlike policy there, the sources said.

American diplomats believe they have a good chance to succeed. Disarmament — The United States believes that the NATO powers should not reduce their present arms even though Russia goes to announce some reduction.

There is no comparison. The Russians have more men under arms, they are trained twice as long. In addition, it takes about three men behind the lines to keep one American soldier in the field while the Russian ratio, with no sea-lines of communication, would be only 1-1 compared to the US 3-1.

**Aid to Underdeveloped countries** — At first sight, the United States is cool to the specific Pincus plan for a United Nations world economic development agency, the sources said.

Germany — The US believes the allies should stress Russia's promise at Geneva to unify Germany through free elections and the Soviets should be made to live up to that promise before they win the good opinion of the world. The sources added that Mr. Dulles leaves Paris reassured that French Premier Guy Mollet and Foreign Minister Christian Pineau will not take action beyond agreed Allied policy when they go to Moscow later this month. — United Press.

## 4 APPEALS DISMISSED

Mr Justice J. R. Gregg in the Appeal Court this morning dismissed four appeals.

In two appeals against conviction the Judge held that there was sufficient evidence for the Magistrates' decision.

One of them concerned an earth-cooker, Wong Ping, who was given 21 months by Mr D. Cons on March 8 for picking the pocket of a woman at a bus stop in Kowloon.

Wong, who had four previous convictions for theft, contended that he had picked up the woman's belongings from the ground and was wrongly convicted.

Sun Wing, who was given nine months by Mr T. Creedon on March 18 for dealing in and possessing of heroin in Kowloon, contended that his co-accused, Lai Leung, was the one who sold the drug. He said that the money found on him represented his winnings at mahjong and not the proceeds of a sale of heroin.

Sun had previous convictions for drug offences.

**ACCUSES POLICE**  
Two appeals for lighter sentences were brought by Li Yiu and Chow Kin.

Li was sentenced to three months by Mr T. Creedon at Kowloon on April 3 for stealing two baskets of mechanical knitting needles and fined \$200 or six weeks for breach of a bond.

Li admitted five previous convictions for theft, but accused the Police of beating him up to force a confession in this case. He asked for a lighter sentence so that he could be released earlier for medical attention.

Chow Kin, who was sentenced to two years by Mr K. A. S. Phillips at Kowloon on March 17 for returning from life banishment, pleaded that he came back to see his ailing father who was on the point of death.

He agreed that he had six previous convictions dating from 1946. These were for picking pockets, belonging to a Triad Society, rape, robbery and theft.

The Judge saw no merit in these appeals and refused them.

### "Half Safe" Carlin On Air Tonight

At 8.09 this evening listeners to Radio Hongkong can hear an interview recorded with Ben Carlin, who is sailing his amphibious jeep "Half Safe" around the world. John Wallace will ask Carlin about the pleasures and dangers on this long trip and listeners will hear how this extraordinary vessel which travels over both land and sea, has stood up to the thousands of miles since it sailed from Montreal in 1950.

## SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"You thought that Dr. Brown was a friend of yours—I wish you could have heard what he said to me today!"

## COURT APPROVES REDUCTION OF CAPITAL

A resolution passed at an extraordinary meeting of the Vit-Alexin (China) Ltd. of 304 Kwok Man House, reducing the capital of the Company from \$150,000 to \$60,000 was confirmed by Mr Justice J. Reynolds in the Supreme Court this morning.

The resolution was passed on November 21, 1955, by Mr Oswald Cheung, instructed by Mr P. D. A. Remedios of Messrs Philip Remedios and Company, appeared for Vit-Alexin (China) Ltd.

Mr Cheung said that this was an application to confirm the reduction of capital sought to be effected by a special resolution of the Company duly passed at an extraordinary meeting on November 21, 1955. The former authorised capital was 10,000 shares of \$10 each of which 10,000 had been fully paid up.

Counsel said that the resolution sought to (a) reduce the authorised capital (from \$150,000) to \$60,000 and (b) to repay the holders of the issued shares \$90 of the paid up capital in respect of these shares.

There were virtually no outside creditors of the Company, Counsel said. There was ample money in the bank and in other assets and there had been no objection of any kind from either the public, the shareholders or creditors, to the proposed reduction.

Counsel asked the Court to confirm the resolution in terms of the proposed minute in the Company's petition.

The resolution was confirmed in terms of the proposed minute. The form of the minute proposed to be registered, as contained in the petition of the Company, was as follows:

"The capital of the Vit-Alexin (China) Ltd. heretofore \$150,000 divided into 15,000 shares of \$10 each, instead of the former capital of \$150,000 divided into 15,000 shares of \$10 each. At the time of the registration of this minute 10,000 shares numbered 1 to 10,000 both inclusive have been issued and the sum of \$4 is to be deemed to have been paid up on the said 10,000 shares. The sum of \$6 per share will be repaid to the holders of the said 10,000 shares. The remaining 5,000 shares are unissued."

### OFFICE BOY'S OFFENCE

A 21-year-old office boy, Lo Hung-kwan, pleading guilty to a charge of fraudulent conversion, was remanded for one week by Mr Hin-shing Lo at Central this morning for a report from the Commissioner of Prisons as to his fitness to receive training at the Stanley Training Centre.

The defendant admitted having cashed a cheque for \$500 at the Wing On Bank to be delivered to his master, Mr Chau Yau, and having spent \$482.65 of the money.

He said he had spent the money largely in redeeming property which had been pawned.

The remainder of the money was returned to the owner.

### Suspect Detained

At 2.45 p.m. yesterday a man stole a fountain pen from a Chinese woman pedestrian in Wang Shan Road near hut No. 74 Shek Kip Mei Village. A Chinese suspect has been detained by the Police.

### Ear-Ring Snatched

A Chinese woman had her pair of gold ear-rings snatched from her while walking along Tsimshing Road, near the Sai Nam factory at 8.50 a.m. today. The ear-rings were valued at \$40.

## 4 Charged With Manufacture Of Dangerous Drugs

The trial began before Judge K. R. Macfee at the Victoria District Court this morning of four men facing charges connected with the manufacture of dangerous drugs.

The accused were Yue Poon-sun, alias Yue Wing-hoi, Kuk Tai-chiu, Kuk Ngan-chiu and Wong Wah.

The first charge, against all four, alleged that on February 21, they had possession of 120 grammes of morphine hydrochloride, 170 grammes of diacetyl-morphine hydrochloride and 25.4 litres of diacetyl hydrochloride solution.

The second charge, against all accused, was that they conspired to manufacture dangerous drugs between August 1, 1955, and February 21, 1956.

In the third charge, second and third accused were charged with possession of 168 grammes of morphine hydrochloride on February 21, 1956.

The fourth charge, against the first accused alone, alleged that he permitted his premises to be used for the storage of dangerous drugs.

Mr Simon F.S. Li, Crown Counsel, is prosecuting, assisted by Det. Inspector J.M. Gurney.

Mr Peter Chan, of Lau, Chan and Ko, is appearing for first accused. Mr J. C. Stewart represents second, third and fourth accused.

Mr Chan told His Honour that he was deputising for Mr Y. H. Chan, also of Lau, Chan and Ko, who was at present engaged on a part-heard case in Kowloon Court.

**CASE FOR CROWN**  
Giving the facts, Mr Simon Li said that on February 21, a police party armed with a warrant went to 109 Caroline Hill Road, third floor. They rang the bell and knocked on the door. Receiving no reply, they forced the door open.

Third accused was in the sitting room. In a rear bedroom, the Police found second accused. The fourth accused was in a front bedroom.

Crown Counsel said evidence would be given that there was a peculiar smell in the air. Also, the eyes of the three men found in the house appeared to be inflamed and watery.

The three accused were sent into the sitting room. Inspector Gurney, who was among the party, was about to force open a door to another room, when third accused gave a key to the inspector.

That door was opened with the key. In the room the Police found a set of six drawers. In each of them were found some powdery substances. These were later found by a Government chemist to be the drugs which formed the subject matter of the first charge.

**BOTTLES FOUND**  
Mr Li said further that a quantity of bottles and other paraphernalia appearing to be connected with the drugs were found in that room.

Other parts of the house were also searched. In a small room adjoining the sitting room were found a large number of jars, some containing heroin fluids.

The sitting room was searched a second time, and a number of rent receipts and electric bills were found. They were issued in the name of the first accused.

Before the Police left the premises, Crown Counsel went on.

### Water Storage Latest

The Colony's water storage position remains fairly static. But the rains of the week-end helped insofar that the yield was about the same figure as consumption.

Total storage at 8 o'clock this morning was 1,291 million gallons, two million gallons more than the storage figure on Saturday morning. The intake from streams and catchwaters on Saturday was 43 million gallons and of this 41 million gallons was used in the two days, 21 million on Saturday and 20 million on Sunday.

The heaviest rainfall yesterday was registered on the island. At Tsimshing Road, near the Sai Nam factory, 1.85 inches of rain was recorded with only 0.33 of an inch falling in the other parts of the island.

### 4 MONTHS FOR STEALING PEARLS

Found guilty of simple larceny, Siu Ng-bo, 40, of 8 Heung Lane, ground floor, was sentenced to four months imprisonment by Mr P. X. D'Almeida at Central this morning.

Defendant was alleged on May 5, outside house No. 17 Queen's Street, Western District, to have stolen three pearls, valued at \$60, from the property of Chai Ah-moi. Defendant had ten previous convictions.

## Story Of Robbery On Staircase

The story of a staircase robbery in Bay View on April 13 when a schoolgirl was robbed of a watch and a gold bracelet was related by Det. Sub-Inspector E. P. M. Hunt when a 37-year-old unemployed man, Dai Tong, faced committal proceedings on a charge of robbery with an offensive weapon before Mr W. F. Pickering at Central this morning.

Dai was alleged to have been armed with a knife and robbed a 10-year-old schoolgirl, Lok Wal-mul, at the staircase of No. 190, Electric Road on April 13.

Inspector Hunt said at about 1.20 p.m. on April 13, the student was returning home at 190, Electric Road, third floor. As she was mounting the stairs, she saw a man following her.

She did not say any attention to the man thinking that he was a hawker. As she arrived at the third floor landing and was about to press the bell, the accused went up to her and said, "Don't move."

She looked back and saw the accused holding a long pointed knife in his hand. Pressing the knife in the girl's stomach, the accused told her not to shout or press the bell. He then snatched a gold bracelet from her and asked her to remove her wrist watch.

Complainant did so.

The accused then ran downstairs while the complainant ran to a window in the staircase and raised the alarm.

At that time, Insp. Hunt continued, three watchmen saw the accused running out of the stairway in the direction of the staircase. After a short struggle, during which the accused tried to pull out the knife, the man was subdued and the watch and bracelet were recovered from him.

Taken to the police station, the accused was identified by the complainant, Insp. Hunt said.

Hearing is continuing.

### Alleged Conspiracy

Two Police constables, Yeung Kai-ming, 20, and Yip Shing-shi, 27, charged with conspiracy and corruption were again remanded for one week by Mr Hin-shing Lo at Central this morning.

Both were allowed bail of \$1,000 each. Two were represented by Mr M. M. Ives, of Messrs Peter Mo and Co.

Both defendants were alleged to have conspired to corruptly receive from Ip Hung \$20 as an inducement for forbearing to prosecute with diligence in future offences under the Dangerous Drugs Ordinance. The first defendant was additionally charged with corruption in which he was alleged to have received \$20 from Ip.

In applying for bail, Mr Ives said that the defendant's father had been in Government service for 27 years and was due to retire at the end of the year.

### EXCESS BUNKER OIL CHARGE

Charged with an attempt to export bunker oil in excess of the amount allowed, and fail to fulfil an obligation to do so, Yip Bo, 43, coxswain, was remanded for three days by Mr Hin-shing Lo at Central this morning.

Yip was alleged to have attempted to export 230 gallons of bunker oil in excess of the quantity stated on his fuel authorisation certificate. He was also alleged to have failed to stop his motor vessel when signalled to do so by Revenue Insp. K. K. Leung off Ha Mei Wan, west of Lamma Channel.

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### Revue Cast Here

The cast of the Latin Quarter Revue arrived in the my Laos this morning from Manila to fulfil an engagement here.

The Latin Quarter Revue, whose members include Japanese, Australian, American and Philippine artists, has been touring Colombo, Singapore, Kuala Lumpur, Penang, Bangkok, Saigon, Hanoi, and Hong Kong. The troupe is headed by Mr Don Yada, modern Japanese ballet director.

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